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PRIMORSKIY GRAPHITE DEPOSIT LOOKS PROMISING

There are many deposits of graphitic slate in Primorsky Krai, the most important of which is the Khasanskoye deposit in the basin of the Adimi River. This deposit is located 15 kilometers from the mouth of the Adimi in the Khasach' gorge along the Khasach' mountain stream, a left tributary of the Adimi. The slate deposit on the steep bank of the Khasach' stream is 300 meters long and 100 meters wide. Analysis of the slate from different sections of the deposit indicates that it contains from 55 to 59 percent pure graphite.

Although pure graphite is used by many branches of industry, including metallurgy, the Pskovskoye graphitic slate is more suitable for roofing materials. Since the slate layers are exposed, they are worked by the open method. The proximity of the deposits to the seacoast should make shipment of slate to Vladivostok and nearby fish combines profitable. There are other deposits of slate, suitable for roofing materials, near Slavyanka.

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